

# JUNIOR TRAFFIC RESERVE CUTS AUTO DEATHS

Accidents in Present Year Claim One Child Life, Compared to 8 Last Year

Oakland traffic accidents during the last seven and one half months claimed the life of one child, as compared to eight killed during the same period of last year, Arthur W. Moore, president of the Junior Traffic Reserve, announced today.

Since organization of the Traffic Reserve by the Eastbay Safety Council in 1928 there has not been a single fatality involving children at any of the city schools guarded by that group, Moore pointed out.

The one child killed in an automobile accident this year and those who were killed last year were not victims of mishaps on any streets guarded either by members of the Traffic Reserve or the Oakland police department, he said.

The Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve, composed of more than 1500 youths, daily guards approximately 48,000 school children and is directed by Police Officer George Doolan and Carl L. Anderson, assigned to this duty by Chief of Police James Drew.

"The work of this organization," said Moore today, "saves the taxpayers of Oakland many thousand of dollars annually because it releases for other duty many police officers who otherwise would be assigned to patrol duty at various city schools."

"Other cities have recently taken steps to organize similar reserve groups, so invaluable have they become for the protection of children going to and from schools." City Manager Ossian E. Carr recently praised the work of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve, describing it as "invaluable for any city."

# JUNIOR COPS TO GREET CARR

City Manager Ossian E. Carr will make his first address to the 1500 members of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve next Saturday morning when they gather at the Fox-Oakland theater to open their season's entertainment program, it was announced today.

The Junior Traffic Reserve, under the presidency of Arthur W. Moore, guards approximately 48,000 school children, and was recently praised by Carr as "invaluable for any city."

The youths will meet promptly at 9 o'clock Saturday morning, and will enter the theater in a body.

Chief of Police James Drew, Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill of the Oakland Traffic Bureau, Police Officers George Doolan and Carl L. Anderson will make short talks to the youths.

President Moore will preside at the meeting and will introduce City Manager Carr.

Appointment of the reserve's battalion leaders and other leaders will be announced by President Moore, during a short business session preceding the speeches by the police officials and the city manager. Following the business session and the talks, the youths will be guests of the Fox-Oakland theater for a special matinee performance.

"We plan to give the youths this school-year a full entertainment program, and have scheduled many shows and various meetings during the fall and winter months," Moore said. He said that additional recruits to the organization this year brought the total number enrolled to a new high figure, never before equaled in the organization's history, passing the 1500-mark for the first time.

# CITY MANAGER PRAISES BOYS' TRAFFIC FORCE

No More Important Work in Any City Than Protecting Lives, Says Carr

Work of the Oakland Junior Traffic reserve in protecting children at Oakland schools from traffic accidents, was lauded yesterday by City Manager Ossian E. Carr in an address before the board of governors of the Eastbay Safety council.

He announced that he considered that there "was no more important work in any city than that being done by the Junior Traffic reserve in protecting the lives of more than 45,000 Oakland school children."

Efforts to organize such a group at Fort Worth, Texas, were sponsored for three years by City Manager Carr, he said, before permission of the superintendent of schools was secured for its formation.

**CAMPAIGN COMMENDED.** Plans of the Safety council, a unit of the Community Chest, in sponsoring a courtesy campaign in Oakland in the near future, also were commended by Carr.

"The one big real cause of accidents," said Carr, "is lack of courtesy on the streets and highways. If every driver would extend to every other driver the fundamental principles of courtesy we would witness a substantial reduction in our traffic deaths and accidents."

R. C. Bitterman, president of the Safety council, presided at the meeting, held at the Athens Athletic club. He told of the progress that had been made by the Safety Council this year in making the streets safe for both motorist and pedestrian.

**OFFICERS ATTEND.** A. J. Anderson, treasurer of the organization, J. T. McPherson, member of the board, Chief of Police James Drew, Lieut. Charles Hamphill, Officers Carl L. Anderson and George Doolan, were among the more than 40 persons attending the meeting.

Arthur W. Moore, president of the Junior Traffic reserve, which started its fall program at the city schools with the commencement of the fall term last Monday, submitted a report on the past progress and the future plans of that organization.

More than 45,000 school children are protected each school day by the reserve.

# COLE SCHOOL JUNIOR TRAFFIC UNIT STARTED

## New Squad Is 46th Formed And Put in Operation In City of Oakland

Oakland's forty-sixth Junior Traffic Reserve unit was in operation today at the Cole school, Tenth and Union streets, following dedicatory ceremonies yesterday afternoon.

Forty-one students at the school, enrolled as active members of the newly-formed reserve group, will guard their fellow-pupils at three street crossings to prevent traffic accidents.

W. D. Spencer, principal of the school, who asked for the establishment of the reserve unit, today commended the work of the Junior Traffic Reserve.

Among those who participated in the inauguration of the group at the Cole school were R. C. Bitterman, president of the Safety Council; Lieut. Charles L. Hemphill, head of the Oakland police traffic bureau, and Officer George Doolan, who is assigned to active duty with the reserve organization west of the lake district.

Bitterman represented both the Safety Council and the Traffic Reserve in the absence of Arthur W. Moore, president of the latter organization.

President Bitterman presented a commission of captain of reserve to Anthony Stramaglia, who will be the student head of the school's reserve force. He will be assisted in his command by Leland Thompson as a lieutenant, with more than 10 sergeants. Since formation of the reserve in Oakland in 1928 there has not been a single traffic fatality at any of the schools where it has been formed.

# 1500 JUNIOR POLICE START WORK OF YEAR

## Youths Hear Speeches by City Manager, Officers And Safety Council Head

Oakland's junior traffic reserve, comprising 1500 youths — traffic guardians of nearly 50,000 school children — started upon its school year administration yesterday with the appointment of Norman Hemphill, son of Police Lieutenant Charles Hemphill, head of the city's police traffic bureau, as commander-in-chief, and 22 battalion commanders.



NORMAN HEMPHILL,

their first school-year meeting. City Manager Ossian E. Carr, in an address to the youths, told them that they represented "invaluable factors for the continued well-being of the oncoming generation," and that the "city was proud of them and their accomplishments."

Arthur Moore, president of the organization, formally inducted the new youthful leaders into office, preceding a matinee at the Fox Oakland theater.

Moore praised the work of Police Officers George Doolan and Carl L. Anderson, assigned to direct the reserve forces, declaring that under their leadership Oakland maintains the "greatest junior traffic group in America."

The twenty-second battalion commanders appointed include Arthur Merrick, Castlemont high school; Louis Spector, Lowell junior high; Lucy Frary, Castlemont; Albert Gray, Lowell; Harold Saur, Erick junior high; George Silvaria, Herbert Hoover junior high; Andrew Anderson, Lockwood junior high; Kenneth Olsen, Claremont; Leonard Gallagher, Garfield junior high; James Avila, Bret Harte junior high; Glenn Brown, Golden Gate; Albert Dazzutti, Woodrow Wilson junior high; Harry Tortolani, St. Elizabeth parochial school; George Pfaff, McClymonds high school; Clyde Weddle, Oakland high school; Lon Berry, West Lake junior high; Lawrence Gladding, Oakland high; Joseph Cardoza, Technical high; George Thomas, Alexander Hamilton junior high; and Albert Bagley, Technical high school.

Lieutenant Hemphill spoke to the youths yesterday, as did Chief of Police James T. Drew and Officers Anderson and Doolan, outlining the new policies and plans for the ensuing school year.

Since the junior traffic reserve was organized here in 1928 by the Eastbay Safety council, a unit of the Community Chest, there has not been a single fatality involving a child at any of the street crossings guarded.

# SAFETY AID OF JUNIORS HERE WINS PRAISE

## TRIB D SEP 17 1931 National Council Field Organizer, on Visit, Praises Boys of Oakland Reserve

Oakland's junior traffic reserve is the most efficient organization of its kind anywhere in the United States and the work it is doing for the promotion of traffic safety is preeminently outstanding, Marlon Telford, field organizer of the educational division of the National Safety council, announced here yesterday upon her arrival from New York.

Miss Telford, visiting R. C. Bitterman, president of the Eastbay Safety council; Arthur W. Moore, president of the junior traffic reserve, and John Brereton, secretary of the Berkeley traffic safety commission, is touring the nation to study the growth of junior safety councils and junior traffic reserves.

She announced that the work of the Oakland junior traffic reserve, as part of the general program of the safety council, had attracted national attention.

### RECORD IS CITED

"Your 1500 youths of the traffic reserve have created for themselves a place in America's traffic hall of fame, due to the fact that there has not been a single fatal accident at any of the schools of Oakland where they stand guard," Miss Telford told officials of the safety council.

She also praised the work of the Berkeley traffic safety commission and the Berkeley junior traffic organization, as of "utmost importance in developing and awakening the safety consciousness of the motoring public to a higher standard."

Miss Telford left the city last night for Los Angeles where she will continue her studies of junior traffic organizations.

### SECOND VISIT HERE

This is the second visit she has made to Oakland and Berkeley, arriving here on her first trip in December, 1928. Before her departure for Southern California last night she spoke before the Glenview Parent-Teachers' association as the guest of Mrs. Fred Sumner, chairman of safety for the Parent-Teachers' association, together with Mrs. William Andersen.

Under the direction of Police Officers Carl L. Anderson and George Doolan, the Oakland junior traffic reserve has not witnessed an accident of fatal nature since its organization here in 1928.

# SCHOOL HEAD LAUDS EASTBAY SAFETY WORK

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Campaign to Make December  
Deathless Month Praised  
As Great Civic Endeavor

Work of the Eastbay Safety Council and the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve in protecting lives, including more than 60,000 school children, was today lauded by Willard E. Givens, superintendent of city schools, as "a most important civic endeavor."

Plans of the Safety Council, a unit of the Community Chest, for making December a "deathless month in traffic" and its efforts in promoting safety through education was indorsed by Givens with the statement, "It is the duty of all citizens to respect the rights of others when behind the wheel of an automobile."

"Safety is a community-wide project," he said, "and inasmuch as 85,000 lives are sacrificed annually to unsafe conditions and practices upon the streets it behooves all to consider seriously the manifold problems involved when they consistently ignore traffic laws, and take no heed when they endanger the lives of others."

"The economic loss due to these 85,000 deaths and the non-fatal accidents exceed more than \$2,000,000,000, according to authoritative compilations and estimates of the Safety Council. The past had demonstrated that without community organized activities for the promotion of safety, this economic loss of life and limb will increase year after year."

Givens then declared that the Safety Council in Oakland, by coordinating the work of the official and unofficial branches of safety into a community-wide program its activities are applied directly to the problem of life-saving in traffic.

He explained that the Safety Council in being backed by the Community Chest is able to devote its entire time to its safety work, and not be compelled annually to raise funds in a separate drive as was the case before the origin of the chest movement.

## 45th Junior Traffic Force Inaugurated in Oakland

Oakland's forty-fifth Junior Traffic Reserve force, organized for the protection of school children, was in operation today at the Crocker Highlands school, following its formal inauguration yesterday.

Police officials joined with those of the Junior Traffic Reserve and the Crocker Highlands school yesterday in the launching of the new organization of junior officers whose task will be in the future to protect their fellow students from traffic accidents.

Arthur W. Moore, president of the Junior Traffic Reserve; Miss Florence Tillman, principal of the Crocker Highlands school; Lieutenant Charles Hemphill, head of the Oakland police traffic bureau, and Officer Carl L. Anderson, assigned to duty with the organization, attended the ceremonies at the school yesterday.

### 42 BOYS IN UNIT.

Forty-two students were assigned immediately to the new reserve unit, and their first duty after being formally commissioned was to stage a spectacular review on the grounds of the school shortly before noon.

A commission of captain was given to Jack Volker of the school, while Parker Van Sicklen will act as lieutenant, and nearly a dozen other youths were commissioned as sergeants.

Those commissioned as sergeants at the school include Chris Fox, Lee Kendall, Robert Peterson, David Way, Jack Leiment, Robert Bowen, Homer Menker and Ted Doe.

In a short address which President Moore made to the assembled reserve members, he outlined the duties and principles of the organization.

### ACTION IS PRAISED.

He praised the action of Miss Tillman in cooperating with the Junior Traffic Reserve organization

to form a new group at the Crocker Highlands school.

Every youth was given a regulation button and a cap to wear when on duty, and Lieutenant Hemphill told them that "they are brother officers in the big work of saving human lives."

The Junior Traffic Reserve was formed here by the Eastbay Safety Council in 1928 and since that time there has not been a single fatal accident at any of the schools where they have been formed.

## RESERVE PLANS PART IN PARADE

Junior Traffic Reserve youths will take part in the city's Armistice Day parade on Wednesday morning, it was announced today by Arthur W. Moore, president.

The youths will form at Sixth and Broadway at 9 o'clock, under leadership of their own reserve commanders they will march past the reviewing stand at the post office as part of the general Armistice Day parade.

School banners will be carried by each school unit, and they will be dipped in salute as they pass the reviewing stand.

## Junior Traffic Reserve To Parade Here May 6

Days when bear fights were held in Oakland's business section, when wild cats were killed at Twelfth and Washington streets, when only one steamer crossed the bay and a steam engine ran out Telegraph avenue will be reviewed at a meeting of the North Oakland Development association by Henry Maloon, 85-year-old resident of Oakland.

The association will convene on the night of May 4, at Emerson school, Forty-ninth and Shafter streets, and devote its entire program to a celebration of Oakland's eightieth birthday.

Old time settlers of Oakland have been issued special invitations to attend the meeting, and President James Carter is being assisted in arranging the evening's festivities by Mrs. Leo Kahn, M. G. Kautch, W. D. Bunker, O. H. Bradley, Mrs. J. F. Methven, Mrs. Echo Leonhardt, A. Vander Naillen, W. H. Norman, W. S. Jussel, and W. J. Beak. Among the entertainers will be Merrilyn Priddy, comedian and M. Townsend, a student of Oakland's history.

This program is one of 50 or more which will be held throughout the city during the week, May 1-8, in celebration of Oakland's eightieth anniversary.

Two great civic events will mark the week's program; the first to be given on May 2 at the Hotel Oakland where all pioneers of the city will attend a dinner which will be followed by a program sponsored by The Forum. George C. Pardee, former governor, will be the speaker, discussing "Memories of Oakland Pioneers." He will be introduced by Mayor N. Morcom. Guy Earle, regent of the University of California, will relate the early history and founding of that institution, and Postmaster William Nat Friend, who is president of the Oakland Pioneers and chairman of the Anniversary Week celebration committee, will present lantern slides showing early Oakland scenes.

Costumes worn in the early days will be resurrected for the occasion and many of the guests will wear them at the dinner and program.

The second civic commemoration will be held in the Oakland high school, where Governor Pardee will again speak on a different topic but one concerning Oakland's history.

Features of this program will be a concert by a joint high school symphony orchestra and vocal numbers by the Oakland Teachers' chorus.

A meeting of the mayor's civic committee, headed by William Nat Friend, will be held in the city hall, Friday at 4 p. m., to complete final plans for the week's celebration. It is planned to bring an ancient bit of fire apparatus from Hayward and demonstrate in front of the city hall during the week, and the Oakland Public Museum will conduct a special exhibition beginning May 2 of relics echoing the city's history.

## BOY TRAFFIC RESERVE WILL BE INCREASED

### Work to be Intensified and New Units Added, Says President A. W. Moore

Plans for intensifying the activities of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve, together with the formation of several new units at various city schools, were announced today by Arthur W. Moore, president.

It is expected that the membership of the reserve will be increased to approximately 2000 this year, and that its operations will be directed at the safety of nearly every school student in Oakland.

During 1931 six units of the reserve were organized, and the membership increased to nearly 1500 under the direction of President Moore, it was announced.

The reserve forces now guard the lives of 48,000 school children in city schools, and the remaining schools where no reserve units have been formed in the past, probably will organize such groups before the conclusion of 1932.

The Junior Traffic Reserve forces, which operate under the executive direction of two Oakland police officers, George Doolan and Carl L. Anderson, in addition to their safety program during the year will stage numerous theater parties and entertainments for the members.

Since the reserve was formed in 1928 by the Eastbay Safety Council there has not been a single child fatality at any of the city schools where a unit of the organization has been stationed.

## LAST SHOW FOR JUNIOR POLICE

Twelve hundred members of the Oakland Junior traffic reserve—the traffic guardians of 60,000 school children—Saturday morning will hold their last theater party for 1931 as the guests of the Orpheum, it was announced today.

The youths, under the leadership of Police Officers George L. Doolan and Carl Anderson, will gather at the theater at 11 a. m., and march into the Orpheum in a body.

Arthur W. Moore, president of the reserve, Chief of Police James T. Drew, Donald Austin, manager of the theater; Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill, head of the Oakland traffic bureau, will make short talks to the youth.

The screen feature, "Suicide Fleet," will be shown for the boys, in addition to a comedy and regular news reels.

Every member of the reserve, attending the theater party, was warned today by President Moore to be "extremely careful of his behavior, inasmuch as the theater will be open at the same time to the public and no unnecessary applause or stamping of feet will be allowed."

Norman Hemphill, son of Lieutenant Hemphill, and commander-in-chief of the reserve forces, together with the battalion commanders will act as ushers during the party, and were asked by President Moore to be at the theater especially early to "assume their duties."

# 10 Awards Made to Junior Traffic Reserve at Review

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Junior traffic reserve members in 10 Oakland schools held their heads higher and threw out their chests a bit farther today following the annual review and inspection which massed thousands of the young traffic officers in a parade through downtown Oakland yesterday.

The personnel of two score other reserve units in as many other schools tightened their ranks and vowed that they, next year, will capture the 10 coveted awards for efficiency bestowed annually.

Executive officers of the reserve, civic and state officials reviewed the youngsters on parade yesterday as a preliminary to the awarding of the efficiency banners for the past year. Schools winning the merit trophies were: the Burbank, Anthony Chabot, Edison, Fruitvale, Grant, and Horace Mann elementary schools; Claremont junior high school; Castlemont and McClymonds high schools and St. Elizabeth's parochial school.

The prizes were awarded on the following points: attentiveness to duty, care of equipment, loyalty, citizenship, and efficiency. Executive officers of the reserve were judges.

The parade yesterday started from Lincoln park, Eleventh and Harrison streets. At its head was a police guard of honor, followed by an automobile in which rode City Manager Ossian E. Carr, Chief of Police James T. Drew; Captain of Police J. Frank Lynch of Central station, and Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill of the traffic division.

In a second automobile directly following were Lieutenant Governor Frank B. Merriam, Mayor Fred N. Morcom, Superintendent of Schools Willard E. Givens, Arthur W. Moore, president of the junior traffic reserve, and Ralph T. Fisher, president of the Eastbay safety council. Other officials included Police Officers Carl I. Anderson and Martin R. Hansen, directors of the reserve.

## MERRIAM IN TRIBUTE

High tribute was paid to Oakland's junior traffic reserves by Lieutenant-Governor Merriam, and congratulations also were extended by Mayor Morcom, Moore, Fisher and Hemphill.

"I accepted the invitation to come here for this occasion because I am interested in boys," the lieutenant-governor told the 1500 youthful officers.

"For sixteen years I have been connected with the Boy Scouts in my community," he continued, "and I am an ardent advocate of anything which has as its object the making of better citizens. The junior traffic reserve is such an organization."

After paying high tribute to the city and the schools for the founding of such a substantial organization, Lieutenant-Governor Merriam told the youths: "I was impressed as you marched past the reviewing stand today; impressed by the evidence of good training, and the mental alertness of every one of your members."

## STATE INTERESTED

"The state of California is interested in you, too," he concluded, "because it is vitally concerned with the development of good citizenship."

The line of march was west on Eleventh street to Broadway, north to Twentieth street, along Twentieth to Harrison street and Grand

avenue, where the youngsters passed in review before the officials.

Bands from the San Leandro, Technical, Roosevelt, and San Leandro high schools and the Hamilton and Lockwood junior high schools furnished martial music.

Schools participating in the ceremonies, in addition to the trophy winners, included: Technical, Lockwood, Washington, Lincoln, Hawthorne, Golden Gate, Crocker Highlands, Laurel, Woodrow Wilson, Prescott, Frick, Dewey, Burckhalter, Rock Ridge, St. Augustine, Maxwell, Bret Harte, Parker, Webster, Clawson, Oakland, Emerson, Sequoia, Sherman, Garfield, Jefferson, Herbert Hoover, Allendale, Westlake, John Sweet, Durant, Col Hamilton, St. Anthony, Longfellow, St. Colomba, Santa Fe, Highland, Bella Vista, and Manzanita.

# MERRIAM TO REVIEW JUNIOR TRAFFIC BOYS

## Tribute Will Be Paid to 1500 Members of Reserve for National Safety Record

Special tribute to Oakland's Junior Traffic Reserve will be paid Friday afternoon at its annual inspection and parade when Frank Merriam, lieutenant governor of California, comes here to review this organization of 1500 youths, which has established a national record in behalf of traffic safety.

Mayor Fred N. Morcom, Chief of Police James T. Drew, Arthur W. Moore, president of the reserve, and many others will join with Lieutenant-Governor Merriam in honoring the traffic guardians of the city's school children.

The Junior Traffic Reserve was organized here by the Eastbay Safety Council in 1928, and since that time no school child has met death under the wheels of an automobile at any of the schools where the reserve patrols are on duty.

The youths will mobilize at Lincoln Square, Eleventh and Alice streets, shortly before 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, and following a short inspection they will march direct to Lakeside Park, past a reviewing stand to be erected in front of the Veterans' Memorial building on Grand avenue.

Ralph T. Fisher, president of the Safety Council, which is a unit of the Community Chest; Lieutenant Governor Merriam, President Moore of the reserve; Willard E. Givens, superintendent of Oakland city schools, various members of the city and county government together with representatives of the army, navy, marine corps and others will occupy the reviewing stand.

The line of march will be from Lincoln Square to Broadway, thence up Broadway to Twentieth street and then direct to Harrison street, where the youths will swing up Grand avenue, past the reviewing stand direct to Lakeside Park.

Ten banners will be awarded to as many traffic reserve units by Moore during the exercises at the park for efficiency rating, based on the performance of each group during the past year.

# JUNIOR TRAFFIC RESERVE TO BE MOVIE GUESTS

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## Organizations Unite to Give Free Theater Party At Fox-Oakland Saturday

Four Eastbay organizations are joining to sponsor a free theater party for members of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve, to be held Saturday morning at the Fox-Oakland theater.

The four are the Eastbay Safety Council, The TRIBUNE, the Oakland police department and the Fox-Oakland theater management.

Talks, stunts, special acts and feature pictures will make up the program for what the sponsors believe will be the greatest free theater party held in the bay district for years.

The doors of the theater will be opened at 9 o'clock, according to Manager Phil Phillips, of the playhouse.

First on the program will be a short talkie. Following this, several speakers will address the audience.

These include Arthur W. Moore, president of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve; Ralph T. Fisher, president of the Eastbay Safety Council; Chief of Police James T. Drew, and Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill.

Carl L. Anderson and Martin R. Hansen, directors of the traffic reserve, will assist in the program.

The TRIBUNE Juveniles, with several new and clever performers in the cast, will appear. They are coached by Miss Ivy Ford and under the direction of Beverly Swabey.

"Tarzan the Ape Man," featuring Johnny Weismuller, champion swimmer and Maureen O'Sullivan, will head the Fox-Oakland picture bill.

# JUNIOR POLICE WILL BE FETED

TRIB A MAY 18 1932

Arrangements for the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve entertainment Friday night at the Oakland high school auditorium were fully completed today by Arthur W. Moore, reserve president.

Fifteen hundred members of the reserve groups throughout Oakland, members of their family and the public, will gather in the auditorium for the entertainment commencing at 8 o'clock, it was announced.

Students from the school traffic forces at the Hawthorne, St. Elizabeth, Bret Hart, Lowell, Westlake and the Dewey schools will take part in the program.

Members of the city government, in addition to the police department, including Chief of Police James T. Drew, Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill, Reserve Directors Carl L. Anderson and Martin R. Hansen, will attend.

# PLANS READY FOR FETE OF JUNIOR POLICE

TRIB A MAY 16 1932

## 1500 Youths and Parents Will Attend Affair in Oakland High Auditorium

Plans for the Oakland junior traffic reserve entertainment next Friday night in the Oakland high school auditorium, where more than 1500 youths and their parents will gather, were completed today by Arthur W. Moore, president of this traffic organization which guards the lives of the city's school children.

The entertainment, free to the reserve members and their parents, will commence at 6 p.m., and will open with an overture by the Oakland high school band.

President Moore will preside and deliver an address upon the conclusion of the opening overture. A play, "Traffic Tribulations," will follow Moore's address, to be given by reserve members of the Woodrow Wilson junior high school.

Other features on the program include an accordion duet by the Dewey school students; a playlet by the Hawthorne school traffic reserve; vocal solo by a member of the St. Elizabeth traffic reserve; dance pantomime, "Frontier Days" by the Emerson school traffic youths, in addition to other plays

and numbers by reservists from the Bret Harte junior high school, Lowell junior high school, Westlake junior high school and the Oakland high school band.

Members of the Oakland police department, including Chief James T. Drew, Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill, reserve directors, Carl L. Anderson and Martin R. Hansen, will attend.

The entertainment is scheduled to commence at 6 p.m., and all reservists and their parents were today urged by President Moore to "come early."

# JUNIOR HIGH TO HOLD PAGEANT

TRIB A MAY 1932

Early days of California's settlement will be depicted by students of the Emerson junior high school at tonight's entertainment of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve at the Oakland high school auditorium.

A series of special entertainments for the pleasure of 1500 members of the reserve, members of their families and the public will commence promptly at 8 o'clock.

Arthur W. Moore, president of the reserve, will preside, and make the opening address, which is to be followed by a special overture by the Oakland high school band.

Students of the Dewey, Hawthorne, St. Elizabeth, Emerson, Bret Harte, Lowell, Westlake and Oakland schools will take part.

Musical entertainment will be provided by various reserve units representing different city schools.

A play "Traffic Tribulations" will be given by the students of the Woodrow Wilson junior high school immediately upon the conclusion of President Moore's address.

Among the students of the Emerson school who will take part in the program depicting the frontier days of California will be Edwin King and Grover Daniels who will take the part of a pioneer and an Indian chieftain, respectively.

## JUNIOR POLICE TO MAP DRIVE

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Extensive plans for waging an aggressive crusade against speeding motorists in school zones will be discussed by members of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve tomorrow morning when they meet for their first conference of the 1932-33 school year.

They will gather at the State theater, and after a series of short addresses on the traffic plans for the next year, they will witness a special showing of a film as the guests of the theater management.

Arthur W. Moore, president of the reserve, said today that more than 1000 boys were expected to attend the meeting and the theater party.

Among those on the program are Ralph T. Fisher, president of the Safety council; Chief of Police James T. Drew, and Officers Carl L. Anderson and George L. Doolan.

Moore said today that it was felt by the leaders of the reserve this year that there were too many drivers who ignored the "drive slowly in school zone" signs throughout the community.

"There is danger at all times of the day, whether classes are in session or not, and motorists must heed these warning signs with more vigilance in the future," he said.

The film "Doctor X" will be shown to the reservists in addition to a news reel and a comedy.

## JUNIOR TRAFFIC MEMBERS WILL ATTEND PARTY

Youngsters Will Be Guests at  
Theater, Hear Talks Upon  
Safety Topics by Experts

More than 1200 members of Oakland's junior traffic reserve—the traffic guardians of the city's school children—tomorrow will hold their second theater party of 1932 under the direction of Arthur W. Moore, president, and members of the Oakland police traffic bureau.

The youths are scheduled to gather in front of the State theater, host to the traffic guardians, promptly at 8:45 o'clock in the morning and will file into the theater in a body after they are mobilized.

Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill, head of the police traffic bureau, will make an address to the assembled boys on "The Dangers of Kite Flying."

President Moore announced today that the reserve's new expansion program, formulated at the start of the new year would be discussed by him during a short address.

"During the ensuing year," he said today, "we hope to create many more traffic reserves in the interest of school safety, and I am hopeful that before the end of 1932 we shall have established one unit at each school within the city limits of Oakland."

He pointed out that since the junior traffic reserve was organized by the Eastbay Safety council in 1928 there has not been a single traffic fatality at any of the city schools where they are stationed.

## 1500 IN JUNIOR TRAFFIC FETE

Oakland's junior traffic policemen last night forgot about their daily traffic worries and held an entertainment at the Oakland high school auditorium.

Fifteen hundred youths, representing 52 city schools, for two hours witnessed a series of plays, dances, musical features and songs. The players, all reserve members, opened the program with an overture by Oakland high school band, which was followed by an address by Arthur W. Moore, president of the organization. Students from the Woodrow Wilson, Emerson, St. Elizabeth, Bret Harte, Lowell, Oakland, Dewey, Hawthorne and Westlake schools took part in the entertainment.

Pupils of the Woodrow Wilson junior traffic school presented a play "Traffic Tribulations" and those of the Emerson school staged a dance pantomime, "Frontier Days," depicting the state's early settlement.

## Junior Traffic Squad to Hold Annual Parade May

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Fifteen hundred members of Oakland's Junior Traffic Reserve will hold their annual review and parade on May 6, to commemorate nearly five years of service in behalf of public safety, it was announced today by Arthur W. Moore, president.

State, county and city officials will take part in the review, and the exercises which will follow at the Auditorium theater when special awards for the 10 best reserve units in Oakland will be presented by President Moore.

It is planned to hold the review and parade in connection

with Oakland's eightieth anniversary celebration.

Details of the parade have not been completed, although it is known definitely that the Oakland R. O. T. C. and bands, under Herman Trutner, will participate.

Ralph T. Fisher, president of the Eastbay Safety Council, a unit of the Community Chest, and other officials of that organization which formed the Junior Traffic Reserve here in 1928 will take part in the program.

Mayor Fred N. McCombs will be one of the speakers, and others will include Fisher, Moore and representatives from the United States army, navy and marine corps.

## 1500 Junior Traffic Police To Attend Theater Party

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Fifteen hundred members of the Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve next Saturday will open their 1932-33 entertainment season when they gather at the Fox State theater for the first theatrical party since the opening of school, it was announced today.

They will be greeted by Arthur W. Moore, reserve president; Chief of Police James T. Drew; Ralph T. Fisher, Police Officers Carl L. Anderson and George Doolan, all of whom will make short talks to the traffic guardians of the city's school students.

It is planned to hold a series of theatrical parties for the entertainment of the traffic youths during the school year, in addition to other forms of recreational activity.

The members of the Junior Traf-

fic Reserve reported for duty simultaneously with the opening of the school year, and they guard all school crossings when classrooms are not in session.

Since the reserve was formed in Oakland there has not been a single fatality at any of the schools where the youths are on guard.

The youths will be the guests of the Fox State theater during the Saturday morning performance, which will start promptly at 9 o'clock. The film "Doctor X" together with comedy and news features will be shown for their entertainment.

Plans for expanding the reserve's activities and other movements in connection with the next year's program will be discussed by President Moore in his opening address to the traffic guardians.

## TRAFFIC RESERVE AND POLICE

To Editor TRIBUNE:

Not enough mention has been made of the fine work being done by the Eastbay Safety Council of Oakland. It was our good fortune to listen-in on a meeting of the captains of the Junior Traffic Reserve a few days ago. We came away with the deepest feeling of gratitude and praise for those in charge. The splendid advice and influence given these boys by Officers Anderson and Doolan can do much toward realizing a finer type of youth in California. As these young captains in turn carry this strength to their individual squads. It is indirectly felt throughout the schools.

To be a policeman has always been the height of any boy's ambition. Here we have this ambition, to a certain extent, realized at a tender age. To reach the captaincy is to have attained an honor. There are certain privileges and there is much incentive. It gives the lad a feeling of responsibility, a knowledge of law and order, a sense of justice and fair play. "Hitch your wagon to a star" is not the pun it sounds. The fact that the Junior Traffic Reserve has recently had its first fatal accident in the fifth year of its existence alone proves that this department is well worth the expense, the effort and the careful cooperation of all citizens of the Eastbay districts.

—D. R. H.

Oakland, Jan. 16.

## RECORD OF JUNIOR RESERVE

To Editor Tribune:

I have read with interest a letter signed "D. R. H." appearing in your Forum column under date of January 18. We appreciate the publication of such letters because they stimulate continued action on the part of our good citizens and increase the moral support which the public gives to the East Bay Safety Council and kindred organizations.

However, there was one error made by "D. R. H." in his communication where he states that "The Junior Traffic Reserve has recently had its first fatal accident in the fifth year of its existence." As a matter of fact, not one single child has been killed on the way to or from school since 1927 at any crossing or intersection patrolled by the Junior Traffic Reserve. In 1930 one child was killed by a drunken driver on the way home from one of our East Oakland schools where they have no unit of the Junior Traffic Reserve. In 1932 one child was killed while crossing the street away from the intersection after the hour when the Junior Traffic Reserve unit had gone off duty. In the five years preceding the institution of the Junior Traffic Reserve, fourteen children were killed on the way to or from school. This striking contrast speaks for itself.

As a matter of interest, it might be added that the number of boys serving in the Junior Traffic Reserve now number 1569, all under the supervision of two traffic officers assigned to such duty, and under the leadership of Arthur W. Moore, as President of the Junior Traffic Reserve.

—RALPH T. FISHER,  
President, East Bay Safety Council.  
Oakland, January 20.

## BOY TRAFFIC SQUAD COPIED

TRIB D - OCT 3 1932

Oakland's junior traffic reserve is being used as a model by many cities throughout the West because of its "efficient record in preventing accidents and saving the lives of school children," it was revealed today by Arthur W. Moore, president.

Requests for full information as to the formation and the operation of the reserve, which was organized here by the Eastbay Safety Council, have poured into the reserve's offices from school officials, police chiefs and other public authorities from more than 20 cities during the past two months, it was announced.

Willard E. Givens, superintendent of Oakland city schools, who has announced as "heartily in accord with the work of the reserve," has turned over to the offices of the Safety Council numerous requests which he himself has received regarding the junior traffic organization.

Martinez school authorities and police officials in Solano County are the latest two groups to announce plans for modeling traffic reserve groups after the Oakland organizations.

"The traffic reserve has been in operation here since 1928 and not since that time has there been a single fatality at any of the schools where it operates," President Moore said. "Two police officers, George L. Doolan and Carl L. Anderson, are assigned to active duty with the reserve, and operate out of the offices of the Safety Council."

Miss Florence I. Anderson, secretary of the Safety Council, a unit of the Community Chest, also serves in a similar capacity with the traffic reserve.

## JUNIOR POLICE PLAN PAGEANT

TRIB D - APR 27 1933

Plans for the annual Oakland Junior Traffic Reserve Pageant to be held in the Oakland High School Auditorium, May 26, were formulated yesterday by Harry E. Troxel, supervisor of boys' recreation of the city recreation department.

The pageant, presented by the Eastbay Safety Council and the Oakland Recreation Department, will be participated in by 250 youths representing 15 Oakland schools.

## JUNIOR TRAFFIC POLICE LAUDED

TRIB D - MAR 31 1933

Praise for the work performed in Oakland by the Junior Traffic Reserve from the standpoints of safety to the city, protection of thousands of school children and efficiency in accident prevention program was voiced today by City Manager Ossian E. Carr.

The Traffic Reserve, organized by the Eastbay Safety Council, relieves 38 Oakland police officers from active duty at school crossings, thereby saving the city approximately \$40,000 annually, it was pointed out.

This protection measure was held by City Manager Carr to be of "utmost importance in addition to the safety provided for the many thousands of school children who are immune from traffic dangers because the reserve youths throughout Oakland stand guard at all school crossings."

# AWARDS GIVEN RESERVES FOR SAFETY WORK

TRIB D MAY 20 1933  
Parade Held by 1500 Youths  
For Annual Review; Pre-  
vention of Deaths Lauded

Fifteen hundreds youths of the Junior Traffic Reserve re-dedicated themselves to public safety for another year yesterday when they held their annual review and inspection before officials.

The youths marched through the streets of Oakland and then gathered in the Municipal Auditorium Theater where Willard E. Givens, Superintendent of City Schools; Chief of Police James T. Drew, Arthur W. Moore, President of the Traffic Reserve; George Lickteig, President of the Eastbay Safety Council, and many others lauded them for their achievements in the name of traffic safety.

Givens said that the traffic reserve, with the cooperation of the police department and the Safety Council, is responsible for the fact that not a single child fatality has taken place where the reserve units are on duty since its organization nearly six years ago.

Awards to junior reserve groups of 19 city schools were presented by President Lickteig of the Safety Council, one of the 53 units of the Community Chest. The schools presented included the E. Morris, H. Horace Mann, Parker, St. Anthony Parochial School, St. Elizabeth Parochial School, John Swett School, Emerson, Grant, Chabot, Claremont Junior High, Frick Junior High, Alaxander Hamilton Junior High, Sequoia, Highland, Ella Vista, Allendale, Westlake Junior High, Lincoln and Edison schools.

# JUNIOR TRAFFIC RESERVE WILL HOLD REVIEW

TRIB D MAY 18 1933  
Boys Who Direct Traffic at  
Schools to March City  
Streets, Receive Award

Members of Oakland's junior traffic reserve, who guard the lives of the city's school children from traffic dangers, will hold their annual review and inspection before civic, educational and public officials next Friday afternoon, it was announced today.

The youths will march through the principal downtown streets, starting promptly at 2:15 o'clock, before gathering in the Municipal Auditorium Theater where Willard E. Givens, superintendent of schools, and others will make speeches and present efficiency awards to groups of reservists based on their record for the past year.

It is expected that more than 1500 members of the reserve will take part in the parade and the ceremonies immediately following in the Auditorium Theater.

Public, business and educational officials will view the marching youths from a special reviewing stand on San Pablo Avenue between Fourteenth and Fifteenth Streets.

Chief of Police James T. Drew, Arthur W. Moore, president of the Junior Traffic Reserve; George Lickteig, president of the Eastbay Safety Council; Mayor Fred N. Morcom, William Hamilton, chairman of the Board of Supervisors; City Manager Ossian E. Carr, members of the City Council; Superintendent Givens and members of the Oakland Board of Education; Lieutenant Charles L. Hemphill and other members of the Police Department will review the junior traffic officers as they march toward the Auditorium Theater.

The line of march will start at Eleventh Street between Jefferson and Grove Streets, thence east toward Clay Street; north to Seventeenth and San Pablo; south on Broadway to Tenth Street; east to the Municipal Auditorium.

In an official communication forwarded by Safety Council today to each of the reservists, it was announced that every group would have its school banner at the head of each marching force.

# SCHOOL FORMS TRAFFIC CLUB

TRIB C MAY 18 1933  
Dedicated to the furtherance of safety in Oakland's streets, school students at Roosevelt High School today formally inaugurated the first of a series of motor traffic clubs under the sponsorship and direction of the Eastbay Safety Council, it was announced by George Lickteig, council president.

Formation of this club at the Roosevelt High School will be followed with the organization of many others at various high schools throughout Oakland, it was stated.

This motor traffic club, while the first to be launched at a high school, is the fifth to be formed in the Oakland school department, the remaining four being already under way at Junior high schools, it was announced.

Chief of Police James T. Drew has assigned Police Officer George Wurthman to direct and manage the operations of the clubs in the hope that "future traffic accidents, caused by school pupils, will be reduced to a minimum."

He informed officials of the Safety Council, a unit of the Community Chest, that the formation of school traffic clubs should have many "far-reaching effects in the future conduct of Oakland's program of traffic safety."

The Roosevelt High School students in launching their program, have organized an executive committee and officers to direct the club's activities. Thomas Giantvalley was elected president; Don Mulford, vice-president; Nathalie Harde, secretary, and John McWilliams, reporter. The executive committee included the officers and the following members: Collette Medina, Joseph Spracia, Roy Maloney, Priestly Morrison, Dorothy Kahn, Edward Watts, Margaret Philippi, William Lamma, Lewis Steffens.

# JUNIOR TRAFFIC BOYS TO HAVE THEATER PARTY

TRIB D MAY 17 1933  
1000 Expected to Attend  
Special Entertainment as  
Guests of Fox Orpheum

Oakland's junior traffic youths who daily guard the lives of thousands of school students will be guests of the Fox Orpheum Theater at a special entertainment in their behalf at 8:45 o'clock tomorrow morning, Arthur W. Moore, president of the Traffic Reserve, announced today.

More than 1000 boys are expected to attend the party under the direction of Police Officers George L. Doolan and Harl L. Anderson, who are in charge of the Traffic Reserve's daily program of traffic protection throughout the city.

Herman Kersken, manager of the theater, will be host to the boys, and will show them a picture, "King of the Jungle," with Buster Crabbe, Olympic swimming champion, in the leading role.

President Moore declared today that the Junior Traffic Reserve, sponsored by the Eastbay Safety Council, is carrying forward its safety program in behalf of every school child at those schools where junior groups are on duty "with ever-increasing vigilance."

Reserve battalion leaders of the junior officers will command the various squads during the entertainment, seeing that all regulations are observed strictly. Some of these regulations compel the youths to wear their official badges, caps and other equipment.